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NEBRASKA WEEKLY WEATHER AND CROP REPORT

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Week Ending 11-29-54

WEATHER The week was considerably cooler than the previous weeks but temperatures still averaged slightly above normal. There was no precipitation over the western portion of the State and only very light rains in the east and north-central. Several days were rather windy, particularly in the east. There was some blowing of soil over the western portion of the State.

CROPS High winds last week did a little damage to wheat in spots. For the State as a whole, the damage was not material since wheat held its previous high condition. All except a very small percent of the wheat has made splendid top growth and has very good root development. This heavy growth has used much of the moisture in the top soil. A good rain or snow that would remain in the fields is needed to replenish the surface moisture supply and pack the soil around the plant before it goes into the dormant stage. Winter dormancy would eliminate the further demand for moisture.

Dry weather so far has been favorable for pasturing corn stalk fields and gleaning the unusually heavy drop of corn. There were a few reports of corn stalk poisoning. The mild weather has saved hay and forage for later feeding. All of the grain sorghum has been harvested but there is still a little corn to be picked.

Reports indicate that considerable fall plowing has been done. After the high winds last week, there were some reports that perhaps too much fall plowing had been done as some soil was blowing. There has been considerable application of commercial fertilizer.

Some seed potatoes have been moving South. Alfalfa hay is also being shipped to southern states. Reported prices have ranged up to \$25 a ton.

Reports on fall seeded alfalfa and grasses are still favorable but the crops need moisture. The autumn season was very favorable for seeding and substantial October moisture enabled these crops to make a good growth.

The condition of pasture is unchanged from a week ago but winter range is lower. This drop in condition is due largely to the dry, brittle condition, making it somewhat unpalatable. Moisture is needed to soften the range and also pack the soil so that grasses can withstand the winter better.

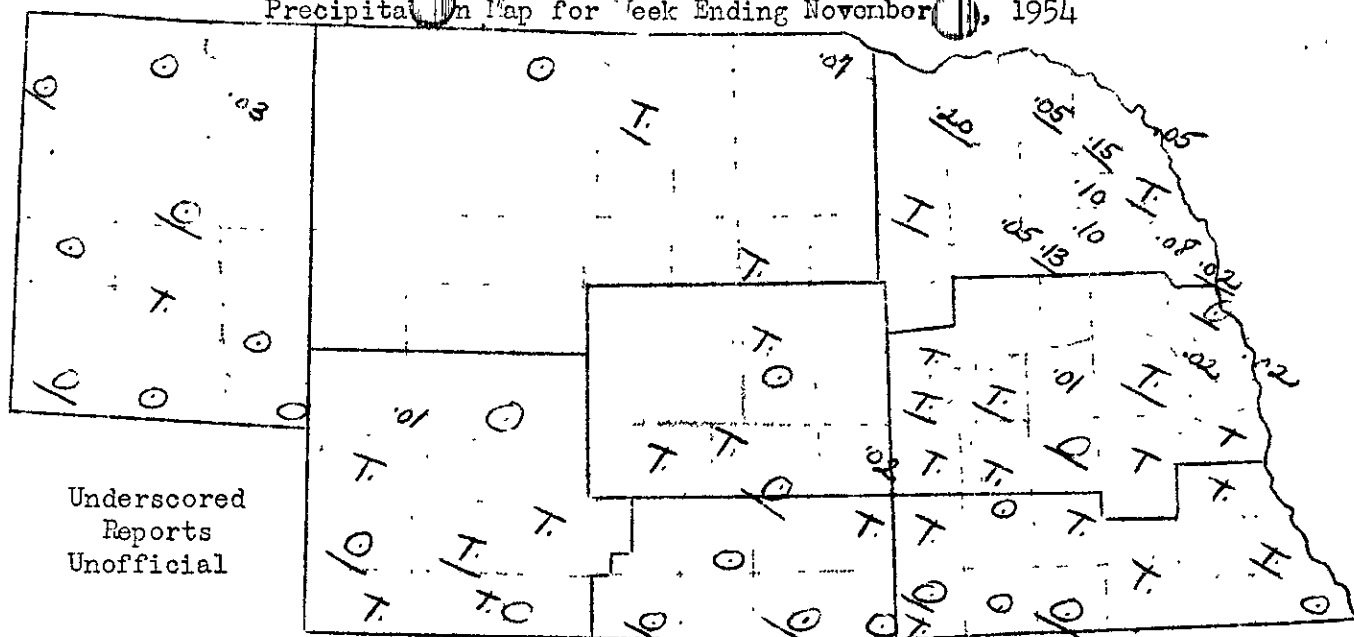
LIVESTOCK The mild autumn weather so far has been highly favorable for feeding cattle. Generally, feed lots are well filled but there is still some hesitation due to the high price of feeder cattle. Conditions have been highly favorable for the fall pig crop. Some farmers have been marketing graded eggs to advantage, but otherwise egg prices have been very discouraging.

WEATHER BUREAU TELEGRAPHIC REPORT OF PRECIPITATION FOR WEEK ENDING NOV. 29, 1954

<u>Eastern Division</u>	<u>Central Division</u>	<u>Western Division</u>
Grand Island .02	Burwell 0	None
Lincoln 0	Lexington 0	
Norfolk .05	North Platte 0	
Omaha .02	Valentine .04	
Sioux City .05		

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Precipitation Map for Week Ending November 11, 1954



HIGHEST AND LOWEST TEMPERATURES (High for 24 hours ending at 12:30 a.m. and low for 12 hours ending at 6:30 a.m. CST)

		November													
		23rd		24th		25th		26th		27th		28th		29th	
		Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min	Max	Min
NW	Chadron	66	40	50	30	48	32	58	32	53	28	44	26	35	13
	Scottsbluff	67	34	48	29	49	32	63	30	53	23	50	21	37	8
	Sidney	65	38	51	24	48	27	63	28	55	22	49	20	35	9
N-C	Burwell	50	36	53	23	47	--	--	--	--	--	55	--	--	--
	Valentine	64	45	58	33	45	22	45	32	52	30	48	26	35	17
NE	Norfolk	59	40	58	36	44	20	38	26	48	31	53	28	37	24
	Sioux City	60	37	55	37	43	25	35	22	39	33	55	29	31	28
CEN.	Grand Island	60	39	56	36	48	20	44	30	50	28	56	32	38	19
	Lexington	63	32	56	33	50	18	49	30	54	21	53	28	39	13
E-C	Lincoln	60	43	57	38	47	23	40	32	47	33	55	30	37	24
	Omaha	58	37	55	35	47	24	38	23	47	32	55	33	39	26
SW	Imperial	65	--	55	31	50	31	54	23	55	29	55	26	42	14
	North Platte	65	28	54	28	49	25	47	26	54	21	54	26	40	13

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